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| 09/255,352   |  | FILING DATE:<br>February 23, 2001 | EXAMINER:<br>Mohammad Ali | ATTORNEY DOCKET No. 15162/00200 | GROUP ART UNIT:<br>2177 |
| INVENTOR(S): Sumiyo TANAKA   |  |                                   |                           |                                 |                         |
| TITLE OF INVENTION: IMAGE SEARCHING SYSTEM AND IMAGE SEARCHING METHOD, AND A RECORDING MEDIUM STORING AN IMAGE SEARCHING PROGRAM |  |                                   |                           |                                 |                         |

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PATENT APPLICATION IS:

- ☒ (A) A response to the Office Action dated: July 3, 2001
- ☒ (B) A Petition for Extension of Time  
☒ for 1 month ☐ for 2 months ☐ for 3 months;  
A Petition for Extension of Time, having been previously filed,  
☐ for 1 month ☐ for 2 months ☐ for 3 months
- ☐ (C) A request for approval of proposed drawing changes.
- ☐ (D) A Notice of Appeal. \$
- ☐ (E) An Appellant's Brief on Appeal. \$
- ☐ (F) Other: \$
- ☐ (G) A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27  
Small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been previously established
- ☒ The claims fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below

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|   | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA |
|---|---|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| TOTAL                                     | 33  | MINUS | 30                                    | 3                |
| INDEP.                                    | 11  | MINUS | 9                                     | 2                |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM |   |       |                                       |                  |

| SMALL ENTITY       |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| RATE               | ADD'L FEE |
| x \$9              | \$        |
| x \$42             |           |
| + \$140            |           |
| TOTAL<br>ADD'L FEE | \$ 0.00   |

| LARGE ENTITY       |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| RATE               | ADD'L FEE |
| x \$18             | \$ 54.00  |
| x \$84             | 168.00    |
| + \$280            |           |
| TOTAL<br>ADD'L FEE | \$ 222.00 |

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☒ the amount of \$222.00 for the claims fee calculated above AND/OR  
☒ the amount of \$110.00 for the fee for item(s) ☒ (B) ☐ (D) ☐ (E) ☐ (F), *supra*
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